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Former Mayor G. Y. Blaize, Sr. Died Friday

Served City For Sixteen Con-
secutive Years Prior
To 1948

G. Y. Blaize, Sr., lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and former mayor, died at King's Daughters' Hospital on Friday night, March 10, 1950, at 9:45 o'clock after an illness of many months.

Mr. Blaize was a native of Bay St. Louis, aged 73, and was the son of the late Nicholas Blaize and Mary Regina Dick Blaize. His wife, Mrs. Catherine Spatorino Blaize, preceded him to the grave exactly 27 months ago.

Mayor Blaize had a record of thirty years in Bay St. Louis politics. He served first as alderman for several years and later as mayor for a total of twenty-two years, the last sixteen of these were under the Commission Form of government. Prior to that he had served as mayor under the aldermanic form of government. It was while he was serving under the aldermanic form that the present Bay High School building was erected. It was also during his administration that the Bay High gymnasium, rated as one of the finest in the State of Mississippi, was built, with the aid of PWA funds.

He was an active member of the Woodmen of the World and the Knights of Columbus and several other civic organizations.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, March 12, 1950, at 3 o'clock p. m., from the Fahey Funeral Home, on Union Street, with religious services at Our Lady of the Gulf Church, with Rev. Edward P. Desmond officiating.

Surviving Mr. Blaize, are four sons, Louis J. Blaize, Dallas, Texas, G. Y. Blaize, Jr., New Orleans; Bernard S. Blaize, Jr., Bay St. Louis; and two daughters, Mrs. M. L. Miller, Mrs. F. Methe, and Arthur S. Ducuing of Wilmington, California.

Funeral services took place from the Laudumey Funeral Home in New Orleans on Wednesday, March 15, at 4:00 p. m., with religious services at St. Augustine Church. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery.

This point was not considered prior to the passage of the measure.

Members charged that such a provision would have an adverse effect upon the sale of bonds for the bridge construction. Others pointed out that special rates for daily users should be set by the highway commission under administrative regulations.

An amendment placed in the bill by the Senate highways and highway financing committee, provides that the maintenance of the bridge shall come out of funds provided for the Southern highway commission district. The original bill had called for maintenance to come from general highway funds.

Sen. John H. Culin, Vicksburg, told the Senate he believed the act of the Legislature in abolishing the former toll bridge at Pascagoula on Highway 90 had provided that no state toll bridge could be constructed on arterial highways of the state.

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State Senate Favors Toll Bridge Over Bay of St. Louis

Bill Now Up For Action
By The House

Jackson, Miss. The Senate passed and sent to the House Tuesday an enabling bill for the construction of a \$6,500,000 concrete toll bridge on US Highway 90 across the Bay of St. Louis.

The bill authorized by Sen. R. B. Meadows, Gulfport, was called up for action as an emergency bill and gained unanimous approval by the Senate.

Under the measure, the state highway commission will have authority to issue revenue bonds for construction of the bridge and to retire the bonds with a toll fixed by the commission.

Construction of a four-lane concrete bridge to replace the present two-lane wooden structure at Bay St. Louis has been called a "No. 1 priority" project by the state highway commission.

Sen. J. O. Clark, Iuka, chairman of the Senate highways and highway financing committee, told the Senate Tuesday that the old wooden structure has cost the highway department nearly \$500,000 for repairs from fires and hurricane damage the past two years.

He told the Senate that "the toll which will be put on the bridge is estimated at 25 cents per trip for passenger vehicles."

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Coast Council of Garden Clubs Annual Spring Pilgrimage Began Here Wednesday, March 15th

A brunch, served from 11:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m. at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club opened the annual Spring Pilgrimage of the Coast Council of Garden Clubs. The brunch menu consisted of delicious stuffed crab, potato, peas, hot rolls, coffee and homemade cake and was served by very colorfully dressed pirates. The mantel and fireplace in the lounge were decorated with moss and palmietto and calenda Crossbones and skeletons placed here and there added to the pirate-like atmosphere as did the palmetto and moss draped doorways and candles burning in bottles which were covered with the drippings from many colored candles.

A scrap book portraying the history of the Pirate Ship was on display and gilded oystershell ashtrays were given as souvenirs.

At the end of the brunch Mrs. Eugene Mogabgab, who is president of the Coast Council of Garden Clubs, cordially welcomed the visitors and introduced the president of the Bay-Waveland Garden Club, Mrs. J. R. Rollins, who also extended a warm welcome to the visitors and introduced the speakers as follows:

Mayor Warren Carver, who spoke of the magazine Mademoiselle which featured the Mississippi Gulf Coast as the Riviera of the United States, in an article by Mary Parker, travel editor, and the Daily News of New York which featured the State of Mississippi. Mayor Carver said that we, on the Gulf Coast, have won a place among the playgrounds of America.

Commissioner Cyril Glover welcomed the guests and pointed out that there are many privileges and pleasures offered by Bay St. Louis.

Commissioner Sylvan Ladner, said that it is not necessary for a special occasion to bring visitors to Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Dan M. Russell, president of the Mississippi Coast Council, Chambers of Commerce, who spoke of the seven towns along the Coast represented by the Coast Council complimented the ladies of the Garden Clubs who have worked to show the Gulf Coast with its beautiful homes and gardens.

Mrs. Dorothy Dempwolf Dennis was overall chairman; Mrs. J. R. Rollins, general chairman and Mrs. Ben Hill, chairman of the Pilgrimage in Bay St. Louis.

The rain did not stop the tour of the gardens. Along the beach were the gardens of Mrs. Max Kohler, Oriental in type, with many Easter lilies; the garden of Mrs. Walter Gex with its many flowers, lovely swimming pool and playhouse; the garden of Mrs. E. V. Holzer, Dutch type with lagoons and many beds of varied flowers; the spacious grounds with beautiful oaks and gardens of Mrs. Ed. M. Brignac, here punch and petit fours were served in the playhouse.

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JOURNALISM?

Even though ours is only a weekly newspaper in a small town, we still believe in and follow a certain code of ethics which we think should apply to news editors of all newspapers, large or small, daily or weekly, city or small town. We recently read in several large daily newspapers, an obituary of a former public official of our town, which contained about four or five paragraphs of information. Of these five paragraphs, actually the first was the only one devoted to the obituary, the rest told of his being one of three men being sued for the return of money allegedly misappropriated by them, and other things detrimental to his character and his memory.

We believe that there is a time and place for everything and that this certainly was neither the place nor the time to rehash a public scandal, which by now has been almost forgotten.

Our idea of an obituary is that it should contain information concerning the history of the life of the deceased, time and place of funeral services, survivors, etc., and that it should not be a condemnation of the character of the deceased. Perhaps we are a bit Puritanical in our ideas but we still think it a good idea to bury the past with the dead and to look to the living for the future.

APPRECIATE SUCCESSFUL MEN

The people who live in Bay St. Louis should not have to be taught the valuable lesson of co-operation. It plays a vital part in the successful growth of any city, although, under present economic organization, its power is not as plain as in the olden days when every citizen turned out to put his shoulder to some public enterprise.

One of the most valuable assets that a town can have is successful men. Get that, and remember it. It is high time that the worth of successful business men be appreciated. From them if anywhere, will come the impulses that will lead our town to bigger and better achievements.

ADVERTISING BUILDS SUCCESS

Advertising is perhaps the most wonderful development of the modern commercial age.

It is maker and breaker of business, big or little. It is the one factor of successful sales that is most apt to be overlooked by the merchants of small towns and cities.

Advertising is not the exclusive weapon of big business; it is the power that will make little concerns grow into larger success. It is a science that requires study and, be it said, character. It cannot succeed if it is untrue. It must build upon faith and honesty.

The Hancock County Eagle is prepared to assist local business men in their advertising problems. It may say, with due modesty, that its staff knows something about advertising, and that their experience is available to all who wish to use it.

TAXES TOUGH BUT NECESSARY

Whenever a business leader appears before a legislative committee, whether in Washington of the state capital, experienced and intelligent reporters can write what the leader has to say beforehand. It boils down to this: "Reduce taxes—especially on business."

No one can blame the business men for wanting to avoid the taxation that bears upon them. Neither can one blame the head of a family for a desire to pay less taxes. Everybody naturally would prefer not to pay as much taxes as the government collects, but the problem involved cannot be solved on the basis of our antipathy to paying money into the public treasury.

The Government of the United States, involving local, state and national government, must assume certain responsibilities in connection with the welfare of the people and the safety of the country as a whole. These functions, in modern life, cost money and, in recent years, the cost of government has gone up like everything else. That some of this increase is due to "politics" is undeniable, but, apparently, it is a price that a citizen must pay for democratic self-government.

Recently, in Washington, a representative of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce sang the same song of tax reduction. He wanted the budget balanced by reducing expenditures to balance the income of the Federal Government. Told that a cut of \$6,500,000,000 would be necessary to achieve the balance and that this was impossible, he agreed that the "net effect" of his recommendation would be an increase in deficit spending but he argued that the only way to hold down government extravagance is to limit the money appropriated for governmental spending.

While the burden of taxation, in the year 1950, is somewhat onerous and especially so as the middle of March arrives, there is a tendency, we suspect, on the part of Americans to over-emphasize the payments made and to minimize the benefits received. Despite the lamentations of those who pay and the wails of those who fail to get what they want, the institution of government, as it prevails in democratic countries, is a necessity and not a luxury. It serves the needs and provides fundamental protection for all individuals. In the main, it is cheap at the price.

This does not mean that interested citizens should not strenuously demand real economy in connection with all phases of governmental operations or that taxpayers should be quiescent in the face of waste, graft and political chicanery. All of these things should be eradicated and they cannot be eliminated unless the citizen-taxpayers are ever alert to denounce them and just as vigorous to support honest and intelligent office-holders who do not condone or practice these political vices.

VIEWS and REVIEWS

WHAT THEY SAY WHETHER RIGHT OR WRONG

by STONY LEE

WORTHWHILE INVENTIONS TO COME

Only twenty percent of America's 330,000 blind can read Braille (travels) type. A new device is being worked out to help the others, therefore. It employs a cathode ray tube to scan the lines one at a time. The tubes findings are carried back to a selector unit. This activates a tape recording of each letter, which is pronounced by a loud speaker to the blind person to hear.

THE CASE RESTS

What I can't understand, observed the bailiff, is how a jury of six young women and six young men can be locked in a jury room for 12 hours and come out and say "Not Guilty."

EDITORS MISTAKE

The business of printing a newspaper is a tedious and particularly demanding one, but sometimes mistakes creep into type by a simple process of changing one letter which causes whole paragraphs to take on new meanings. The Bridgeton, N. J. Evening News provided an unintended bit of comedy with a paragraph. Elder Valasek, pastor of the South St. Church, Bridgeton, will speak here at 8 o'clock. She will bring a quart with her and they will sing appropriate selections during the service.

WHY NOT GIVE THE THING AWAY?

The DeLandelle offer to lease the facilities of the Federal Barge Lines was rejected by Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer. The Secretary states that the offer failed to make adequate provisions for rehabilitation.

The most pronounced case of Government subsidization of competitive transportation is that involved in the operation of the Federal Barge Lines which has been operated since 1924 by the United States Government at a deficit of many millions of the taxpayers' dollars and in competition with some 450 common contract and private carriers who operate on the various inland waters of the country. The Federal Barge Lines has been wholly financed with public funds none of which have been returned to the Treasury, and on which the government receives no returns whatever. Congress never intended that our government enter into unfair competition with private enterprise, but instead made provisions at the time the barge line was created that it would pass into the hands of private persons, companies or corporations engaged in, or are ready and willing to engage in common-carrier service on such rivers. This provision was known as the Division Act of 1928. It also indicated the purpose of the government operation of the barge line by declaring it to be the policy of Congress to continue the operation only until navigation channels, as authorized by Congress, and terminal facilities had been established. A special committee after investigation made the following recommendation to Congress in 1938:

"We recommend that the Congress provide by appropriate legislation, for the immediate disposal of all the properties of the Federal Barge Lines, either as a whole or piecemeal, so as to bring about discontinuance of their operation by the Government." To do so would be but to carry out

WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT COMMUNISM, AS OUTLINED BY COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following (America and the World) Party of questions and answers are taken from the series "Communism in the USA."

21. When was the Communist Party of the United States organized and where?

September, 1919, at Chicago.

22. Has it always been called by its present name?

No. Here are the recorded official name changes:

1919 Communist Party of America and the Communist Labor Party of America

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...CAPITOL ACTIVITIES...

BY HEBER LADNER
Secretary of State

STATE'S FIRST TUNA PLANT TO GET UNDER WAY

A decision to start construction of the Gulf Coast's first tuna cannery industry with private funds was announced last week. The plant will be located near Pascagoula.

Cecil Drake, spokesman for a group of 30 West Coast canners and fleet operators, said an "extensive" plant would be built with funds put up by the Western businessmen.

It will be served by a \$1,500,000 fishing fleet and employ about 200 workers in cannery operations alone.

Tuna clippers sailing from Moss Point will go through the Panama Canal to the fishing grounds, and also hunt commercial fish in the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Drake said they hoped to have the cannery in operation by midsummer.

STATE MEN ATTEND NATIONAL MEETING

Mississippians attending the annual National Association of Soil Conservation Districts convention at Atlanta last week were: Hugh Norman, Summit; George Morgan, Terry; L. F. Angelo, Edwards; and A. B. Adams, Clarksdale president of the Mississippi program.

MISSISSIPPI PRODUCTS PLANT TO OPEN

The Mississippi Products company has announced plans for expanding the cabinet manufacturing plant to employ 1500 with an annual payroll of \$3,500,000. This plant is located in Jackson.

Running full capacity now after four years existence, a subsidiary of Sears Roebuck & Company, the plant employs 1200 full time workers.

Television, radio, and sewing machine cabinets are made with local labor and raw material from the Mississippi woodlands within a 150 mile radius of the capital city with the exception of mahogany veneer.

GI DIVIDEND CHECK WRITING AT 1/2 MARK

Washington, G. I. Life Insurance refund checks to the new loan section in more than half the veterans who have gotten in their applications for shares in 2,800,000,000 dividend.

Officials said a tabulation at the close of operations recently showed the Treasury had mailed checks to 7,153,000 of the 14,285,000 men and women who have applied.

The checks come to a total of \$1,288,688,211, an average of about 180 each. The Federal Reserve Board said they have given a big lift to consumer prices.

The Treasury also extended its program of 20,000,000 checks a day for 15 days, long days have passed since the first check was mailed Jan. 10.

The total paid out so far is more than \$1.3 billion. The budget bureau had estimated it would be paid out by the end of the fiscal year.

At present, no time has been made to take the tax of income refund, and the surplus of dead veterans' surplus check claims at a number of hundred thousand helping push the total of persons expected eventually to get refunds to about 10,000,000.

But the Treasury makes no direct payments to states of deceased veterans. Instead, it is proposed that the Veterans Administration determine which survivors are entitled to share in refunds and what their share will be.

In cases where a veteran left a wife and five children as some did, that will mean individual checks for as much as six people.

LOG WATER MAINS

Philadelphia, Penn. Workmen on an improvement project along downtown Vine Street unearthed proof-positive that this is one of America's oldest cities. They found log water and still appeared sound. The conduits were hollowed out of tree trunks about 20 feet long and 18 inches thick. The six-inch holes were joined by short lengths of cast-iron pipe.

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Congressional Sidelights

by—
CONGRESSMAN WM. M. COLMER

SPEECH BEFORE THE STATE LEGISLATURE

After the successful fight in the House to defeat the Administration FEPC bill, the State Legislature of Mississippi did what Representatives Chairman of the House Southern Group, the signal honor of inviting him to address a joint session of that body on Wednesday, March 8. Without comment, I hope, and with no illusions as to its merit as an oration, but with a desire to give as wide distribution as possible to the dangers to our way of life pointed out therein, I am summarizing that speech below through extracts.

THE STATE OF THE UNION

The fact that the United States today is the richest and most powerful nation in the world, the one to which the distressed, war-torn and freedom-loving peoples of the civilized world are looking for economic assistance and world leadership is no accident. It is the result of careful planning and something akin to Divine foresight. It is the product of the minds of the founding fathers (particularly of the great Virginia patriot Thomas Jefferson, who believed that people were best governed who were least governed).

FOREIGN IDEOLOGIES

But today that whole system, built upon the freedom of the individual, is seriously threatened by those within our midst, who in their lust for power, or their obsession with foreign ideologies, would shake the system of the founding fathers and trail off after false gods. These would-be reformers, the politicians, the planners, the "dogooders." They have secured their jobs in high places in our Government. They are the advisors to the people elected to higher offices in the President himself.

ORGANIZED MINORITIES

These schemers are also good politicians. They have discovered that there is political strength in organized minorities. Rich plums, usually at the expense of the taxpayer, are offered to every organized group. This appeal to racial and other similar minorities is well calculated to pay dividends on election day. Having succeeded in capturing the Northern Negro vote from the Republicans, they set out deliberately a decade ago to enfranchise the Southern Negro... and thus further fortify their (the schemers) security and political power.

CIVIL RIGHTS

"I am not anti-negro. Neither do I believe that Mississippians and Southerners generally are anti-negro. We like our negroes. Generally, we live with them on a peaceful and neighborly basis. We are proud of the progress they have made. We want to see them continue to advance and to see their economic lot improved; but like the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, we do not want to be forced to marry them, eat with them, or sleep with them."

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

"All of this race agitation, the arraignment of the negro against the white man, the Jew against the Gentiles, the foreign born against the native American unfortunately, is the result of those who are in charge of your and my party, brooding the sinister, sordid, and scheming political planners. The South must be made the 'whipping boy' of the nation (in order to garner sufficient Negro vote) in doubtful states so that these political planners may continue in power. It is indeed a sorry spectacle that the South, who, prior to the Civil War, largely furnished the leadership of this great country, and which has consistently supported the Democratic Party since its unfortunate strife, should now be punished for its constant loyalty to that party."

NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY

"Being the kind of Democrat that I am, it is impossible for me to escape the conclusion that there is a bottom in the Government's moral barrel just as well as there is in the individual's. It might be interesting to note in this connection, that in the last few years of this Administration the Federal Government has borrowed and spent approximately twelve billion dollars more than it took to run this Government from George Washington. Administration through the first eight years of President Roosevelt's Administration... but still the planners are calling for more and more expenditures."

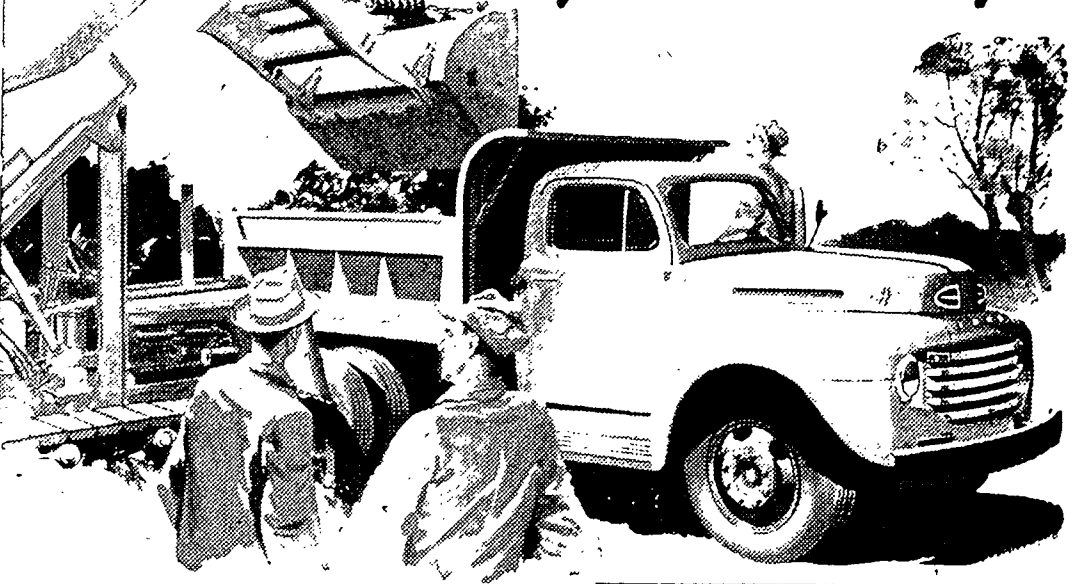
ENGLAND

"Perhaps the most recent and one of the last examples of the work of these crusaders for the Socialist System, with the resultant loss of the liberties of the people, can be found in our life comrades and ally in arms, England. There, Socialism, like the creeping disease that it is, started more than fifty years ago. It grew gradually. Its proponents were here at first did not admit that they were Socialists. They finally became powerful enough to take over that country. We no longer have to wonder how the schemers work, nor does the Englishman. The malignant disease of Socialism aided and abetted by two world wars, has converted a great, freedom-loving people into serfs of the State."

THE MISS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

"Your entire Delegation in Congress from Mississippi are ardent believers in the Southern way of life. They have been and are now opposing the efforts of those presently in charge of your and their Party to lead this great, powerful country further down the road to Socialism and ruin. We refuse to either marry, befriend,

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FARMERS URGED TO GLAMOURIZE SWEET POTATO FOR CONSUMERS

Farmers throughout Mississippi are being urged these days to put a little glamour into the common sweet potato which is giving its Irish cousin some serious competition on the nation's dinner table.

A recent consumer's survey reported a decline in Irish potato consumption and an increase in the use of sweet potatoes by the average housewife. So agricultural leaders throughout the state are anxious to see Mississippi farmers take advantage of this trend by producing a quality stud that will knock milady's eye out when she goes to market.

About 75 per cent of Mississippi's soil is adaptable for sweet potato raising yet the production of this crop throughout the state last year amounted to only about \$10,000,000, only a fraction of the potential.

At that, however, the sweet potato is rapidly gaining in favor both from the producer and consumer standpoint.

Commissioner of Agriculture Si Corley, who is vitally interested in development of this crop, says Mississippi should be producing from five to ten times as many sweet potatoes and that the cash value of this crop could easily be increased from \$10,000,000 to \$100,000,000 if the farmer would place more emphasis on quality and marketing.

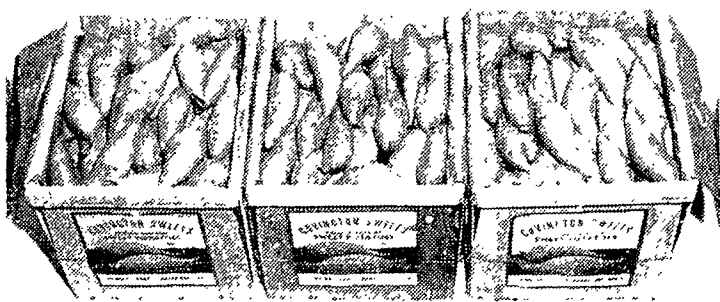
Although sweet potato acreage is on the increase in Mississippi and the know-how of raising and processing them has made great strides, there still remains many a farmer who fails to realize that it is the quality, glamour yam that brings the price while unwashed, low-quality potatoes find little sale appeal in the modern market bin.

The favorite among Mississippi growers is the Copper Skin Unit Number 1 Puerto Rico variety, according to S. W. Box, manager of the Central Farmers Market in Jackson.

Box describes a quality sweet potato something like this: It should have a copper colored skin of fairly smooth quality and not more than slightly misshapen, preferably of medium size. The meat of the quality potato should be of an orange hue.

Next problem, of course, is how to raise such a quality stud. And Box offers these suggestions:

1. Buy good uniform seed and see that they are bedded properly.
2. Select the proper soil and break the land deeply and thoroughly.
3. Use proper fertilizer liberally and plant on high beds, setting slips 12 to 14 inches apart.



Quality Covington county sweet potatoes exhibited at the first special Sweet Potato day in Jackson, January 25.

4. When harvesting use care to avoid cuts and bruises.
5. Grade potatoes in the field. See that crop is properly stored.
6. Be sure to have access to facilities for processing.

Sweet potato storage and processing plants, now available to growers, are located at Bayhalla, Strimier, Collins, Edwards, Hattiesburg, Yazoo City, Tupelo and Magnolia. They have a combined storage capacity of about 225,000 bushels.

Potatoes taken into such plants are properly cured through temperature controlled storage facilities, and are then washed, waxed and loaded.

At present Mississippi producers are shipping no sweet potatoes, yet Louisiana, biggest producer, already has shipped 2,500,000 bushels and has another 2,500,000 bushels awaiting shipment.

Yet, as Manager Box points out, there exists an unlimited market for sweet potatoes. "If farmers would adhere to sound production methods."

In the Mississippi areas where storage facilities are available a total of 69,165 bushels of potatoes have been marketed through the organized marketing program in the 1949 crop, and a total of 81,000 bushels of this same crop have been stored in curing houses, a stable increase over 1948 production.

In an effort to emphasize the importance of this crop, which can be produced by the average cotton farmer, a Mississippi Sweet Potato Day observance was held in Jackson in January of this year.

On feature of the event was the auctioning of sweet potatoes. The best Number 1 quality potatoes auctioned that day brought \$4.00 per bushel, compared to only \$2.50 for lower grade commercial offerings.

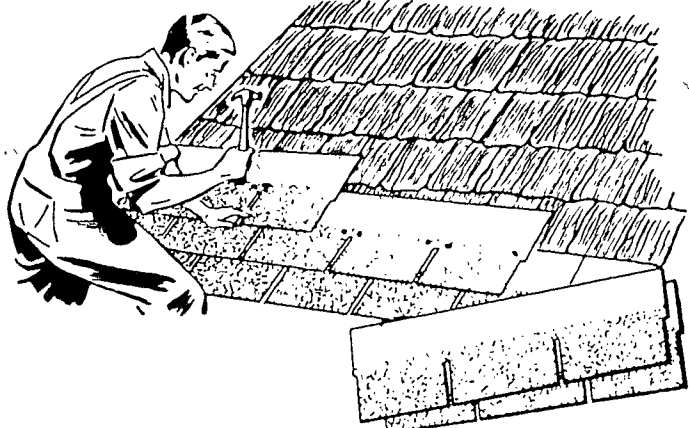
Buyers here for the auction that day emphasized the need for quality, stating that wholesalers, retailers and consumers are willing to pay a good price but demand sweet potatoes with character.

Miss Jackie Rogers of Collins, who was chosen Mississippi Sweet Potato Queen at a Sweet Potato Day observance in Jackson January 25th, shows producers how to put glamour into a product which is gaining in popularity. Farmer's throughout the state are being urged to produce quality potatoes. If they want to receive top prices.

A good many Mississippi farmers already know this, thanks to the organized production and marketing associations set up around sweet potato curing and processing plants located in eight Mississippi towns, and augmented by individually owned curing plants in various areas of the state.

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Demonstrating the Illinois Central tree-planter, Soil Conservationist Carl Owens of Stone County, Miss., sits on the original model of the machine. In his left hand he holds a bunch of Kudzu crowns, and in his right, a crown that he is ready to plant. More than 1,000 plants can be set per hour by this machine. D. E. Lauderburn, forester with the Soil Conservation Service (center), and J. G. Guthrie, forester with the Illinois Central Railroad, look on.

SOIL CONSERVATION NEWS

By James L. Bishop,
Soil Conservation Service

Tree planting to reforest the hundreds of thousands of idle acres in Mississippi and Louisiana, was the objective when the Illinois Central Railroad Agricultural Department introduced a small mechanical tree-planter in south Mississippi during 1948. It was not then fully realized by the Illinois Central and its foresters that this novel little machine was going to develop into such an all-purpose year-round planter.

This is Kudzu-planting time, and when Deway C. Morris, District Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service in south Mississippi, recently made his regular tour of eight counties in Work Group 17 he found that the county work unit conservationists had resourcefully turned these machines to other uses. Everywhere they were being used for planting Kudzu, after these planters had already completed a large tree-planting program averaging several hundred thousand trees in each county. Mr. Morris says: "These planters, designed by the Illinois Central Agricultural Department are doing a very successful job in putting out Kudzu, bicolor lespedeza, coastal bermuda grass, multi-flora rose, and other plants that need to be transplanted. Besides the trees that they were designed to plant, Little did the Illinois Central Railroad realize, when they introduced this tree-planter, that they were doing so much to contribute to general farming in Mississippi and Louisiana. One of the most difficult tasks that any Work Unit Conservationist has to combat is getting the cooperators to furnish enough labor to plant kudzu. This machine saves time and labor, thereby enabling the farmer to put his idle land to work with these plants, and thus making him more money."

According to P. R. Farlow, Illinois Central General Agricultural Agent, there are now nearly 50 of the Illinois Central Planters in Mississippi and Louisiana, due to cooperation of local banks, schools, lumber and paper companies, and individuals, that this year have been used to plant millions of tree seedlings. With the advent of this widely distributed machine's multiple use, it should greatly increase the economic standards of thousands of farm families, Mr. Farlow said.

'Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad' At Star Theatre
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Thrills and eerie events in Sleepy Hollow current screen legend, sung and narrated by Bing Crosby. Famous English fantasy shares the footage.

In a striking display of his country entertainment sense, Walt Disney combines his own incomparable animation artistry and Bing Crosby's famous singing voice to place his new all-cartoon feature, "The Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad" securely among his top level pictures. The subjects of the show are the fabulous, hair-raising escapades of two immortals of legend RKO Radio Pictures is releasing this new feature film in color by Technicolor.

Ichabod Crane and J. Thaddeus Toad are the companionate heroes. Ichabod is the Yankee itinerant schoolmaster so delightfully lampooned in Washington Irving's "Legend of Sleepy Hollow." Mr. Toad is the thrill-mad little river-side fellow in Kenneth Grahame's droll British fantasy, "Wind in the Willows."

The legend of Ichabod Crane is faithfully followed in the Disney cartoon likeness and in the words of the song "Ichabod" sung off the screen by Bing Crosby along with narrative for the picture.

Ichabod's heroine is Katrina van Tassel, daughter of the wealthy Sleepy Hollow farmer. Pretty, vivacious and flirtatious, she sparks the rivalry between the pedagogue and the bold bully, Brom Bones. The latter, a slow-witted muscle man, loses every round to the gawky educator except that devastating last one when he runs his rival out of the district in the ghostly guise of The Headless Horseman. Comically appealing, too, is Ichabod's amiable old plowhorse in the hopeless gallop for the bridge of safety.

Besides the Ichabod song, two other numbers are voiced by Bing Crosby in the course of the Sleepy Hollow narrative. They are "Katrina" and "The Headless Horseman." The words and music of all three songs are by Dun Raye and Gene de Paul. Discs of the songs, recorded by Bing Crosby and by various other musical stars, reached the public at the time of the picture's release. Heard in the Mr. Toad adventure is The Merry Song lyrics by Larry Morey and Ray Gilbert, music by Frank Churchill and Charles Wolcott.

Democracy will fail unless the people exercise individual judgment in voting upon issues and upon candidates

County Agent's Notes

When finishing hogs for the market, early spring litters (February, March) are desirable. Spring pigs from such litters are just right to go in corn fields to be hogged off in July and will hit early September market weighing around 200 pounds. Usually the early fall market is strong.

At this time, nothing can be done about time of farrowing, but something can be done about litters farrowed that more and fast growing pigs may be weaned. Five and one-half pigs are required to support a sow 12 months. Eight pigs are twice as profitable as 6 pigs, therefore, the farmer who can raise 8 or more pigs per litter stands a much better chance to make money in the hog business.

Individual farrowing pens are indispensable. Only one who is thoroughly seasoned in the work can appreciate the many factors to be considered during farrowing time. It is better to have fewer sows and adequate equipment than to farrow sows carelessly. Some care should be around during farrowing time. Sows may need help and young pigs need protection.

Hogs are very susceptible to colds and pneumonia, therefore, they should have protection during damp cold weather. Keep bedding dry for young pigs, and avoid drafts.

A central farrowing house should be in the plan for 5 or more sows. Farrowing pens and colony house should be 8'x8'. Sloping floors help, raise one end about 12 inches. Nail half inch thick, 2 inches wide wooden cleats every 10 inch apart to keep sow from slipping. Every farrowing house or pen should have guard rails 10" high and 16" from wall. Bedding should be short straw, shaving, or cut hay. Too much long straw causes trouble in tending the young pigs.

Do not feed sow for 24 hours after she has farrowed, but provide water. First feeding should be one-half pound of oats or bran. Feed liberally after 7 days. Castrate young male pigs at 2 to 4 weeks old, vaccinate all pigs to 6 to 8 weeks of age. Worm with sodium fluoride at weaning (8 to 10 weeks of age). Cut sow's feed down 3 to 4 days before weaning pigs.

Start giving pigs cracked corn at 4 weeks of age. Can be self-fed and should be fed separately from sow. Add protein supplement when 6 weeks old. This supplement should be of animal and vegetable origin. If young pigs are kept on concrete floor over 2 weeks after farrowing a shovel full of fresh soil should be placed in pen daily to prevent enema. A mineral mixture of 10 pounds limestone, 5 pounds bone meal, 5 pounds wood ashes, and 5 pounds salt, should be provided at all times. These feeds and minerals should be partitioned off in self-feeder for pigs. Sow and pigs can be turned on pasture when pigs are about 7 days old. Plan for about 1 acre of pasture land for 1 sow and litter. No more than 5 sows and litters should be grouped together and pigs should be about the same age. There are many combinations of grasses and clovers, in this area, oats, white duff in winter and carpet and bermuda in summer. Plow pig raising areas once a year. Pastures are health resorts. Keep pigs out of muddy infected lots.

Of course, there are many details to look after in order to get pigs weaned and off to a good start. These details pay dividends and could mean the difference between profit and loss. Healthy, fast growing pigs do well. Give them a chance.

Our own idea is that Washington Jefferson and Lincoln would be surprised at some of the things that some people say they said.

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